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SIR:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 16, 2008, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse Group I.

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the following:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.